FALL YOUTH SOCCER

for Boys & Girls Ages 5-14

This is a recreational league where the primary objective of the Youth Soccer Program is for the players to develop skills, learn good sportsmanship and above all, have fun. The emphasis is on self-improvement - to provide each player the opportunity to reach his/her own maximum potential development for the enjoyment of soccer. The emphasis is NOT on winning: each child will contribute to the "We, the Team" concept through equal and fair play.

FUNdamental teams are co-ed teams with all sessions in Granby; this is a Parent & Me activity designed for the parent and the child to play side by side. This is a two-year program where different skills are introduced and built upon each year, preparing the child for game play with referees in Division I. Parents should come prepared to be on the field each Saturday. Division I is also co-ed with all games in Granby. Separate boys & girls teams are available for Div. II (9-10), III (11-12) & IV (13-14) and may involve local travel. Children are to be registered in their appropriate age division. The Unified Team is geared especially for those children who feel too intimidated by the pace of the recreation league; designation for this league is by approval of the BOE Special Services Dept.; one (1) practice/game will be scheduled on Saturday. We are not responsible for practice or game cancellations due to conditions beyond our control.

Each child in Divisions FUNdamentals, I & II is provided with shorts, T-shirt and socks; Divisions III & IV players are supplied with jerseys and socks. Parents for all levels are responsible for mandatory cleats and shinguards. We recommend that each child have his/her own ball; be sure to buy the correct size (see table below) and put his/her name on it. Additionally, no jewelry of any kind including earring posts is allowed during practices and games.

The Season - Soccer season will commence with practices on Mon., 9/1 and end Sat., 10/25. Two (2) practices per week are scheduled for Divisions II, III & IV; one (1) practice per week for Division I. FUNdamentals and Unified will have Saturday-only sessions and require parent participation at all sessions. Games start Sat., 9/6 with a parent-team meeting 1/2 hour prior to the scheduled start of game.

Eligibility – Registration is open to girls and boys in the following age groups (not grades):

	Age as of	Birth	Ball
	12/31/08	<u>Year</u>	<u>Size</u>
FUNdamentals	5 - 6	2002-03	3
DIVISION I	7 - 8	2000-01	4
DIVISION II	9 -10	1998-99	4
DIVISION III	11 - 12	1996-97	5
DIVISION IV	13 - 15	1994-95	5

Fees - \$55 per player with a \$137.50 maximum (excluding late fees) per family for all age groups. Cost covers uniforms, equipment, NYSCA coaches' training, administration & referee coordinator fees, referees fees & Snack Shack fees. Unified & FUNdamental teams will conclude with a pizza party. NOTE! All registration fees include the Snack Shack fee; see description below. Soccer scholarships are available on an as-needed basis; contact the Recreation Office no later than 6/15 for details; all scholarship requests are strictly confidential.

Registration Information - NOW is the time to sign-up for Granby Youth Fall Soccer. Early registration is a requirement in order to have equipment and uniforms in time for September. Depending upon the number of certified coaches, teams may be limited to a first come basis. Registrations will be accepted in person at the Recreation office (15C North Granby Road) or by mail starting May 1st; registrations must be received or postmarked by 4:00PM on Wednesday, June 25th to avoid the late fee. All registrations must be accompanied by a check (payable to TOWN OF GRANBY). If registering by mail, send to:

GRANBY PARKS & RECREATION 15C NORTH GRANBY ROAD GRANBY, CT 06035

Late Registration? Late fees are assessed to encourage parents to register prior to the designated final registration date and to assure that your child is assigned to a team; this also assists us in setting-up teams & ordering uniforms. Registration must be received at the Recreation Office or postmarked by 4:00PM on Wednesday, June 25th. All registrations received on or after June 26th must be accompanied by a \$10 late fee per child (max \$25/family) or it will not be processed until payment has been made. Uniforms will be ordered based on registrations as of 7/7; we cannot guarantee a uniform for the start of the season for those registering late. No registrations will be accepted after 8/8 except for new residents who have moved to Town after July 1st. ALL late registrations received will be accepted based on team availability.

Refunds - All refunds are subject to a 10% administrative fee. No refunds will be issued for withdrawals on or after 8/13 except for the following reasons: 1) Medical with a doctor's note and pro-rated for the season; 2) A residence move to another town more than 30 miles away with proof and pro-rated if necessary; 3) There is a child on the waiting list; 4) 100% refund if we do not have a team for your child's age group.

Team Assignments - Team assignments are made based on age; therefore a copy of a Birth Certificate must be submitted with your registration form if we do not have it on file. We do not honor team requests or moving up or down a division. Team assignments are also based on the information you give us as to nights your child is NOT available for practices. We will notify you by early August of your team assignment. Changes in <u>your</u> personal schedule do not necessitate our accommodating your change.

Parent Volunteers – Parent volunteers are a vital part of our youth sports programs. Parents can assist in various ways by being coaches or assistant coaches and/or coordinators for divisions, uniforms, equipment, scheduling and referee coordinators or Snack Shack. If you would like a description of what these volunteer positions include, contact the Recreation Office.

NYSCA – In order to provide a more positive environment for the children, we require all coaches and assistants to be NYSCA certified. See description under **NYSCA Clinics** below. Depending upon the number of certified coaches, teams may be limited to a first come basis.

Scheduling – Practices are scheduled based on the availability of the coaches; team assignments are made based on the information you give us. Game schedules are based on field availability and some schedules are coordinated with other towns. We do NOT schedule around any player's personal schedule.

Snack Shack – The Snack Shack is open Saturdays as a convenience for those at the games, to earn monies to purchase large items, i.e., goals, nets, etc., not covered in the registration fees, and to provide a mechanism to pay a referee coordinator and referees. Because of the lack of parent volunteers, your registration fee includes a \$5/per player fee (\$12.50/family) to cover the cost of hiring the appropriate personnel to staff the Snack Shack. Parents coaching or providing coordinator services will be refunded the fee at the end of the season. The Snack Shack fee has been added to all age groups.

Absolutely NO registrations will be accepted after Friday, August 8th

NO REFUNDS on or after Wednesday, August 13th

Please plan carefully - once placed on a team, we will not make changes because of your scheduling conflicts.



FOR OUR ADULT VOLUNTEERS

REFEREE TRAINING

Wed., 8/27, 6:00-7:00PM at the Senior/Youth Center. Referees are needed for the fall soccer program. Our Referee Coordinator will train youth ages 14-18 & adults in the basics to line and referee our Saturday games. Linesmen and refs are paid a sliding rate based on age level of game refereed. Call the Recreation office to pre-register.



COACHES TRAINING SESSIONS

<u>Sunday, 7/27, 6:00 - 7:30PM</u> at SBP presented by MLS Soccer Camps. Be prepared for inclement weather. Thurs., 8/21, 6:00-8:00PM at SBP presented by Challenger Sports British Soccer Camps. Be prepared for inclement weather.

COACHES' MEETINGS

<u>Wed., 8/27, 8:15PM</u> at the Senior/Youth Center. <u>Required of all</u> youth soccer coaches. Agenda includes distribution of team rosters, uniforms, equipment, review of league guidelines and questions.

FUND'T'L COACHES' MTG Required of all coaches Wed., Aug. 27th 8:00PM at Senior/Youth Center COACHES' GAME Sundays, Sept. 21st & Oct. 19th 2:00PM at SBP

Rain date: 9/28 & 10/26

END OF SEASON Tues.. Nov. 4th

6:30-7:30PM – Senior/Youth Center Drop-off equipment & paperwork

NYSCA - Youth Soccer Certification

The National Youth Sports Coaches Association is nationally recognized certification training for adult volunteer coaches for all youth sports. The NYSCA philosophy is that coaching is to coach the child and not the sport. Clinics are held annually for each sport. All soccer and basketball coaches are required to be NYSCA certified. If you are certified for Basketball or Little League, you only need to certify in a 2nd sport. The Recreation Department will cover the cost of all head soccer coaches and one (1) assistant per team. All others are \$20/Basic. Clinics will be held in Town facilities depending on availability; call office for location. Why be certified? \$1,000,000 excess liability insurance coverage to start.

First Year/Basic - Mon., 8/25 (6:30-8:00PM) OR Tues., 8/26 (6:30-8:00PM) Second/Third Sport - Mon., 8/25 (8:00-9:30PM) OR Tues., 8/26 (8:00-9:30PM)

TEAM PICTURES - Sat., Sept. 13th. Details to follow.



Did You Know...
Granby Recreation has certified over 900 youth coaches since we began NYSCA in 1992.

2008 FALL YOUTH SOCCER REGISTRATION FORM

Use this form for soccer only Please complete one (1) registration form per child



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coordinators will be refunde	ed a Snack Shack fee	at the end of the	e season. V	olunteer j	positions are	e as follows:
Would You Be?	<u>FATHER</u>	<u>MOTHER</u>	NYSCA C	<u>Cert.</u> #		Practice Night(s)
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Team Parent	()	()			1)	
Snack Shack (Buyer) Coordinator (1)	()	()	Coaches	' email ad	dress:	
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LIABILITY RELEASE: The GRANBY PAdamage or losses that may occur. As in a Parental/guardian signature on this registrat emergency medical treatment in the event a pwill not be made. I understand that my child is	ny sports activities, ion form indicates parent/guardian cann	there is a certa recognition of ot be reached.	ain amount those risks, <i>I understan</i>	of inhere , permissind that on	ent risk inv ion to parti ce my child	colved
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